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IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF
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Group Art Unit: 1651
Examiner: David M Naff

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U.S. APPLICATION NO: 10/031,835

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AMENDMENT

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This Amendment is being filed within the shortened statutory period for response to the Office action mailed on October 6, 2004.

No fee, petition, or certification is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee due, or credit any overcharge, as a result of this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 03-1935.

Since there are no other grounds of objection or rejection, passage of this application to issue with claims 1-13 and 17-21 is earnestly solicited.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. In the event that minor amendments will further prosecution, Applicants request that the examiner contact the undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,



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